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SYNDROME TYPE IIA

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a ONE-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed 21 January 2004, thereby extending the date on which the period of response is set to expire from 21 April 2004 to 21 May 2004.

Please charge DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 13-4895 in the amount of \$55 to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit any over-payment to PTO Deposit Account No. 13-4895.

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